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# CDC Health Update

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## Frequently Asked Questions about Rabies Vaccine Recall

CDC and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) were previously notified of a voluntary recall of certain lots of IMOVAX® Rabies Vaccine (Aventis Pasteur, Swiftwater, Pennsylvania). Information regarding the recall was distributed in a [Health Alert Network \(HAN\) message](#) and an *MMWR* Dispatch on April 2, 2004. In addition, a list of frequently asked questions regarding the recall was posted on the CDC Rabies website on April 2, 2004 ([http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvrd/rabies/ques&ans/q&a\\_vaccine\\_recall.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dvrd/rabies/ques&ans/q&a_vaccine_recall.htm)).

The website has been updated as of April 6, 2004, with additional questions and answers that may be helpful to state health departments and healthcare providers. The website will continue to be updated as more information becomes available, and individuals are encouraged to check the site frequently.

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